



## FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL

### MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

**TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2006**

The City Council of the City of Florence, Kentucky met in Regular Session on Tuesday, April 25, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the Florence Government Center with Vice Mayor Julie Metzger presiding in the Chair.

### CALL TO ORDER, WELCOME AND ROLL CALL:

Vice Mayor Metzger called the meeting to order and declared the Regular Session to be open for the presentation of all City business.

The roll was called and the following members of Council registered present: Mel Carroll, Dale Stephens, David A. Osborne, Vice Mayor Dr. Julie Metzger, Betsy Conrad, and Ted Bushelman.

Also present were City Attorney Hugh O. Skees, City Coordinator Patricia J. Wingo, Community Development Director/Assistant City Coordinator Rick Lunnemann, Fire/EMS Chief Marc Muench, Information Technology Director Colin Campbell, Police Chief Tom Szurlinski, Public Services Director Bob Townsend, City Engineer Bill Viox, Administrative Assistant Donna Smith, Gene Cunningham, Videographer Jerry Schrepfer, Kentucky Enquirer Reporter Brenna Kelly, Florence Recorder Newspaper Reporter Lindsay Kottmann, and City Clerk Joe Christofield.

### MINUTES:

Vice Mayor Metzger called for a motion to approve the minutes of April 11, 2006 Regular Meeting of Council. Councilmember Conrad so moved, with second from Councilmember Bushelman. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

### SECOND READINGS:

Vice Mayor Metzger presented the following Ordinance for second reading:

ORDINANCE O-8-06: AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN TERRITORY CONSISTING OF A PARCEL OF APPROXIMATELY 1.3074 ACRES LOCATED ALONG SUNNYBROOK DRIVE, SOUTH OF ITS INTERSECTION WITH WEAVER ROAD, ADJACENT TO THE CITY LIMITS. (SMI-SUNNYBROOK LLC, PROPERTY, ORDINANCE NO. O-08-00)

Vice Mayor Metzger read the following summary of the Ordinance: *This Ordinance annexes and makes a part of the City a tract of approximately 1.3074 acres located along Sunnybrook Drive, south of its intersection with Weaver Road, adjacent to the city limits. This annexation is in response to a request by SMI-SUNNYBROOK, LLC, the owner, to have the property become part of the City. The annexation will be complete upon second reading and publication of this Ordinance. After annexation the property will remain subject to the same land use restrictions as applied prior to annexation.*

Councilmember Osborne moved, with second from Councilmember Stephens, that Ordinance No. O-8-06 be approved on second reading and be published in accordance with the law. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

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Vice Mayor Metzger presented the following Ordinance for second reading:

**ORDINANCE O-9-06:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. O-9-02; FIXING THE COMPENSATION FOR THE OFFICES OF MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL FOR THE TERMS OF THE OFFICE WHICH BEGIN ON JANUARY 1, 2007; AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH COMPENSATION SHALL INCLUDE AN ANNUAL “PURCHASING POWER” ADJUSTMENT PURSUANT TO KRS 83A.075.

Vice Mayor Metzger read the following summary of the Ordinance: *This Ordinance fixes the compensation for the office of Mayor and the office of Member of City Council for the respective terms which begin January 1, 2007. Compensation for the office of Mayor shall be \$35,000.00 per year and compensation for the office of Member of City Council shall be \$12,000.00 per year. Included in the Mayor’s compensation are payments to the Commonwealth of Kentucky, County Employee Retirement System. Compensation for each office shall be adjusted annually based upon the increase or decrease in the consumer price index as computed by the Department for Local Government of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.*

Councilmember Carroll moved, with second from Councilmember Bushelman, that Ordinance No. O-9-06 be approved on second reading and be published in accordance with the law. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

**RESOLUTION:**

Vice Mayor Metzger presented the following Resolution for consideration:

**RESOLUTION R-6-06:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION BY THE CITY OF FLORENCE AS PROJECT SPONSOR FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE FEDERAL-AID RECREATIONAL TRAILS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE SOUTH FORK PARK PEDESTRIAN/BIKE PATH IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND AGREEING TO PAY FIFTY PERCENT (50%) OF THE COST OF SUCH PROJECT AS A NON-FEDERAL CASH MATCH FOR RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM FUNDING USED IN THE PROJECT.

Councilmember Carroll moved, with second from Councilmember Stephens, that Resolution R-6-06 be approved as reviewed. **Council approved by unanimous vote.**

**MAYOR’S REPORT:**

Vice Mayor Metzger advised of the City’s annual Memorial Day Parade and Program, scheduled for Monday, May 29 at 10 a.m. beginning at Boone County High School.

Vice Mayor Metzger advised of the OKI (Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana) public open house regarding the Dixie Fix (Dixie Highway), scheduled for Monday, May 8 from 4-7 p.m. at Immanuel United Methodist Church in Lakeside Park.

Vice Mayor Metzger, on behalf of the City, welcomed Park National Bank to Florence (at 600 Meijer Drive).

Vice Mayor Metzger, on behalf of the City, wished Jim Parsons well on his retirement as Boone County Administrator.

Vice Mayor Metzger advised the City recently received a \$2,500 check (matching grant) for the Circle Drive cemetery fence as well as a \$43,328 check for the Safety City project (matching grant) from the state. The funding was presented last Thursday by Kentucky Governor Ernie Fletcher.

Vice Mayor Metzger, on behalf of the City, wished Finance Director Linda Chapman a speedy recovery regarding her recent knee surgery.

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**CITY COORDINATOR’S REPORT:**

City Coordinator Pat Wingo commended City officials on being diligent regarding applying for grants to help fund City projects.

**OTHER:**

Vice Mayor Metzger asked if any Councilmember desired recognition; Councilmember Betsy Conrad advised of the Derby Day Garden Party, scheduled for Saturday, May 6 from 3-6 p.m. at the Dinsmore Homestead.

Vice Mayor Metzger asked if any department head desired recognition; Public Services Director Bob Townsend advised of the City’s annual Great American Cleanup, which took place on Saturday. Mr. Townsend said the event drew its largest participation number (116 volunteers, nine miles of roadway cleaned, & 149 bags of trash equaling approximately 3,000 pounds). He thanked all those who organized and participated in the event and its sponsors, including Wal-Mart, Kroger, Target, Glier’s Goetta, Biggs, and Dunkin’ Donuts.

Mr. Townsend advised of the City’s annual Spring Cleanup Week, currently taking place this week and ending on Sunday, April 30 (from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m., Monday-Friday & from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. Saturday-Sunday) at the Public Services Maintenance Facility at 7850 Tanners Lane.

Vice Mayor Metzger asked if anyone in the audience desired recognition; no one responded.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

There was no need for City Council to go into Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Vice Mayor Metzger called for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Bushelman so moved, with second from Councilmember Osborne, and **unanimous approval of Council**, the time being 7:12 p.m.

APPROVED:

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Diane E. Whalen, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Joseph A. Christofield, City Clerk